

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

October 28, 2013

TO:

Mayor Lee and Councilmembers

FROM:

Joyce Nichols, Director of Intergovernmental Relations

RE:

Regional Issues Committee Items, October 28, 2013

LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS

Draft 2014 State Legislative Agenda and State Legislative Session Update: Staff will provide a draft of the 2014 State Legislative Agenda. Tonight's briefing is intended to give Council an overview of the critical issues for inclusion in the City's agenda. Staff has also included a written update on the status of a potential special legislative session to adopt a new state transportation revenue package. Staff is seeking Council feedback on the draft 2014 State Legislative Agenda which will be incorporated into a revised draft for the November 25 Regional Issues Study Session. Council typically adopts a final State Legislative Agenda in December.

Federal Legislative Update: Staff is providing a written report on recent Congressional activities.

STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Update on PSRC'S Growing Transit Communities Committee (GTC): Staff is providing a written update for Council on the recent meeting of the GTC. This is the group that is designed to help make the most of the voter-approved \$15 billion investment in regional rapid transit by locating housing, jobs, and services close enough to transit that it is a viable option for many people. Staff will provide a presentation and briefing for Council at the November 25 Regional Issues Study Session.

Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings: Included are updated Council summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees (RPC, RTC, RWQC and KCD), and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).